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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE & PERSONNEL MATTERS

1. ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR ARRIVAL AND FIRST DAYS AT POST
ARE COMING ALONG WELL.

2. PRESS HAS REPORTED YOU WILL ARRIVE AUGUST 15 BUT WE HAVE
SAID NOTHING. SAW ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL FOREIGN MINISTRY
EVRON AND PROTOCOL SECTION JULY 31. THEY ARE LOOKING FORWARD
TO YOUR ARRIVAL AND EXPECT FACILITATE YOUR PRESENTATION OF
CREDENTIALS. EBAN EXPECTS TO BE IN WASHINGTON AROUND AUG 17
AND TO RETURN HERE ABOUT AUG 20. WALDHEIM VISIT EXPECTED SHORTLY
THEREAFTER WITH ISRAEL FIRST STOP ON HIS TOUR OF MIDDLE EAST
CAPITALS.

3. YOUR SHIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS ARRIVED VIA AIR FREIGHT
FROM NEW DELHI IN LATE JUNE AND IS STORED AT THE RESIDENCE
AWAITING YOUR ARRIVAL.

4. AN ISRAELI COUPLE, GEORGE AND MARGARET SCHWARTZ, HAVE
BEEN HIRED TO SERVE AS MAJOR DOMO AND COOK AND WILL BE
ESTABLISHED IN THE RESIDENCE PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL. THEY
FORMERLY WERE ROMANIAN CITIZENS WHO IMMIGRATED TO ISRAEL
IN 1950. PRIOR TO LEAVING ROMANIA THEY OPERATED SMALL HOTEL
WHERE SHE WAS COOK AND HE THE MANAGER. A GROUP OF EMBASSY
PERSONNEL HAVE PARTICIPATED IN A TEST DINNER AND FEEL THEY HAVE

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THE POTENTIAL TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SERVICE. THEIR HIRE IS,

OF COURSE, SUBJECT TO YOUR FINAL APPROVAL FOLLOWING INITIAL TRIAL FOR ONE MONTH AFTER YOU ARRIVE. LOCAL MEDICAL AND SECURITY REPORTS ARE FAVORABLE.

5. THE WINDSCREEN AT THE SWIMMING POOL HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND THE BOTTOM OF THE POOL HAS BEEN SCRAPED AND REPAINTED. IT WILL BE FILLED AND READY FOR YOUR USE ON ARRIVAL.

6. FOLLOWING ARE CONGRESSIONAL VISITORS EXPECTED IN ISRAEL IN NEAR FUTURE:

- A. REP. BENJ. A. GILMAN, AUGUST 9-17
 - B. REP. AND MRS. OGDEN REID, AUGUST 11-17
 - C. SENATOR AND MRS. ERNEST F. HOLLINGS, AUGUST 16-23
 - D. REP. ROBERT L. SIKES, AUGUST 19-21
 - E. SENATOR WALTER MONDALE, AUGUST 26-SEPT 1
 - F. SENATOR JOSEPH R. BIDEN, AUGUST 27-SEPT. 3.
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